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1. WE HEREBY ISSUE INVITATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES, THE INVITATION EFFECTIVE UPON THE MARCH 20 SIGNING OF THE TECHNICIAN EXCHANGE OPERATIONS PLAN. PLEASE ADVISE THE APPROPRIATE GOM OFFICIALS AND PROVIDE ETA FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS.

MARIA ANTOINETA TEJEDA MUNOZ FRANCISCO JAVIER MEZA CAMPOS MIGUEL ANGEL RODRIQUEZ MONTEROS SONIA SALEZAR LIZON MAURO GOMEZ VALDEZ JUAN EUSEBIO ISLAS FUSTER FRANCISCO JAVIER MEZA CAMPOS ALVARO NARVAEZ PEREZ

2. THIS BRINGS THE INVITED TOTAL TO NINETEEN PARTICIPANTS, A NUMBER WE FEEL IS A REASONABLE AND MANAGEABLE SIZE FOR THE FIRST GROUP OF PARTICIPANTS. WE WOULD PREFER NOT TO UNCLASSIFIED

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INVITE ANY MORE PARTICIPANTS UNTIL THESE FIRST NINETEEN HAVE ARRIVED AT THEIR TRAINING SITES AFTER THE WASHING-TON PERIOD OF ORIENTATION AND LANGUAGE TRAINING, AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT OUR PROCEDURES AND FACILITIES FOR HANDLING THE PARTICIPANTS ARE ADEQUATE. THIS WILL ALSO ENABLE AT THE TIME WE ISSUE INVITATIONS TO ANNOUNCE THE COMPLETE PROGRAM BEING OFFERED. THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE USEFUL TO CONACYT IN MAKING TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND TO THE CANDIDATES THEMSELVES WHO AT THAT POINT MIGHT WISH TO DIRECTLY CONTACT THEIR RESPECTIVE TRAIN-ING SITES TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON LOCAL CONDITIONS AND CLOTHING OR OTHER NEEDS. THUS, PROVIDED THAT WE QUICKLY OBTAIN RESPONSES TO THE QUESTIONNAIRE FROM THOSE CANDIDATES WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY SENT THEM, WE WOULD ANTICIPATE ISSUING A CALL FORWARD TO THE REMAINING CANDIDATES ON OR ABOUT JUNE 1.

3. REGARDING THE QUESTIONNAIRES, THE RESPONSES WE HAVE RECEIVED THUS FAR APPEAR TO BE OF EXCELLENT QUALITY, WHICH IS NOT ONLY HELPFUL TO OUR PROGRAMMING EFFORTS BUT ALSO REFLECTS FAVORABLY ON THE CANDIDATES AND CONACYT SELECTION PROCEDURES. WASHINGTON END USERS, HOWEVER, DO NOT READ SPANISH. WE OF COURSE RECOGNIZE THE BURDEN WHICH TRANSLATION OF THESE DOCUMENTS MAY PLACE ON CONACYT STAFF RESOURCES AND ARE PREPARED TO HAVE THEM TRANSLATED BY THE DEPARTMENT'S LANGUAGE SERVICES DIVISION. WE ANTICIPATE THIS WILL RESULT IN A 4 TO 5 WEEK DELAY AS WE CANNOT PLACE A HIGH PRIORITY UPON THEIR TRANSLATION. WE THINK MORE PREFERABLE WOULD BE THE CANDIDATES WRITING THE RESPONSES IN ENGLISH AND THAT INASMUCH AS THE OPERATING PLAN REQUIRES A BASIC KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH, THIS SHOULD BE POSSIBLE. ROGERS

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